REMARKS

Status of Claims and Amendments

Claims 2-6, 8-11, 14 and 15 are amended to remove multiple dependency of the claims and/or to correct certain inadvertent typographical errors.

Please note that there was no claim 13 included in the original application as filed.

Claim 7 has been cancelled as being redundant. Claim 12 has been cancelled and replaced with new claim 18. Claims 16 and 17 are cancelled.

New claims 18-26 are added. They find support in the specification as originally filed.

Entry of the foregoing amendments to the Claims is respectfully requested. No new matter is introduced by these amendments.

Upon entry of the above Amendment, the claims remaining in this application are claims 1-6, 8-11, 14, 15, and 18-26.

CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that the instant International application is now in condition for allowance. Such action is earnestly solicited at an early date.

Respectfully submitted.

aueline Starbon

Jacqueline 8. Larson

Patent Attorney for Applicants

Registration No. 30279

Berlex Pharmaceuticals **Corporate Patents** 2600 Hilltop Drive P.O. Box 4099

Richmond, California 94804-0099 Telephone: (510)-669-4483

Fax:

(510)-262-7095

Email:

jackie_larson@berlex.com